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SUBJECT: PARKER ARTICLE ON US FARM EXPORTS TO IRAQ

1. PLEASE AIRPOUCH 50 COPIES OF EXCELLENT ARTICLE
QUOTE RAPID GROWTH CONTINUES IN U.S. FARM EXPORTS TO
IRAQ UNQUOTE BY JOHN B. PARKER, JR. IN APRIL 14, 1975
ISSUE OF FOREIGN AGRICULTURE. USINT WILL DISTRIBUTE
TO KEY GOVERNMENT BODIES IN BAGHDAD.

2. FYI: USINT ALSO DRAWING ON PARKER ARTICLE FOR
IMMINENT TRADE OUTLOOK ARTICLE TO BE PUBLISHED BY
USDOC. FOR FURTHER REFERENCE WOULD APPRECIATE
IDENTIFICATION OF SOURCES PARKER USED FOR IRAQ'S
IMPORTS FROM THE WORLD IN 1974. IF READILY AVAILABLE
IN CONVENIENT FORM, PLEASE AIRPOUCH ONE COPY TO USINT.

3. ALSO SUGGEST THAT AUTHOR PRESENT COPIES TO
AMIN HASSAN, HEAD OF IRAQI INTERESTS SECTION IN
WASHINGTON.

4. COMMENT: BULK COMMODITIES MAKE UP LION'S SHARE
OF RECENT U.S. EXPORTS TO AGRICULTURAL SECTOR OF IRAQ.
WITH PERHAPS 40 PERCENT OF NEXT (1976-1980) IRAQI
FIVE YEAR PLAN LIKELY DEVOTED TO AGRICULTURAL
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DEVELOPMENT, POTENTIAL FOR FURTHER U.S. MARKET

PENETRATION APPEARS ENORMOUS. USINT HAS NO GOOD
EXPLANATION WHY U.S. MANUFACTURERS HAVE IN PAST TWO
YEARS EXPORTED SO FEW TRACTORS, COMBINES, SPRINKLERS
AND OTHER HARDWARE TO THIS BOOMING SECTOR.

5. PLEASE AIRPOUCH TO USINT ONE COPY OF FOREIGN
AGRICULTURE ON REGULAR BASIS.
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